



#### March 5, 2023

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## Pollocksville Presbyterian Church

### 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Lent Order of Worship

11:00 a.m.

March 5, 2023

Prelude

"Breathe"

Marie Barnette

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsive)

Leader: Fear not for our God is with us this day.

People: We trust in God and we will not be afraid.

Leader: The presence of God is steadfast and sure.

People: We will rely on the wondrous grace of God.

Leader: God's love fills all of creation for us.

People: We will receive God's love and share it with others.

Prayer of Invocation

~ Liturgist

\*The Peace of Christ

Leader: ... The peace of our Lord, Jesus Christ, be with you all.

People: And also with you.

\*Opening Hymn

"Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

The Presbyterian Hymnal

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Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Forgiveness

We confess to you, O God, and before one another that we have sinned. Our lives are surrounded by your loving presence and signs of your great love for all creation and yet we live in fear. Instead of looking to your abundant grace we look at our lack of power and we doubt. Instead of seeing all you give us as signs of your power and grace we see them as things to grasp and rely on. Forgive us and fill us with your Spirit that we may truly trust you and be disciples of your Christ.

#### Assurance of God's Pardon

Leader: Our hope, our help, our peace, our joy? All come from God, the One who loved us, and the world so much, that Jesus came to bring us salvation.

People: Keeper of our souls, be with us; watcher of our days, lead us; salvation of our lives, have mercy on us. Thanks be to God!

Amen.

Anthem

"Lenten Meditation"

~ Jay Althouse

~ Choir

Prayer for Illumination

~ Ken Yearick

Scripture

Genesis 12:1-7 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup>The LORD had said to Abram, "Go from your country, your people and your father's household to the land I will show you. <sup>2</sup> "I will make you into a great nation, and I will bless you; I will make your name great, and you will be a blessing. <sup>3</sup> I will bless those who bless you, and whoever curses you I will curse; and all peoples on earth will be blessed through you." <sup>4</sup> So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him. Abram was seventy-five years old when he set out from Harran. <sup>5</sup> He took his wife Sarai, his nephew Lot, all the possessions they had accumulated and the people they had acquired in Harran, and they set out for the land of Canaan, and they arrived there. <sup>6</sup> Abram traveled through the land as far as the site of the great tree of Moreh at Shechem. At that time the Canaanites were in the land. <sup>7</sup> The LORD appeared to Abram and said, "To your offspring I will give this land." So he built an altar there to the LORD, who had appeared to him.

#### Philippians 2:5-8 (NIV)

<sup>5</sup> In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage; <sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death— even death on a cross!

Sermon

"Obedience is Not An Option"

~ Ken Yearick

\*Hymn of Response

"I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord"

The Presbyterian Hymnal

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Sharing of Joys and Concerns

#### Morning Prayer and Lord's Prayer

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever. AMEN.

#### \*The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. AMEN.

#### \*Gloria Patri

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

Offertory "Praise to the Lord, the Almighty" ~ Neander/Winkworth arr. Keveren

\*Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

\*Prayer of Dedication

~ Ken Yearick

\*Closing Hymn

"What a Friend We have in Jesus"

The Presbyterian Hymnal

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\*Charge and Benediction

\*Postlude

"Down at the Cross" ~ Hoffman/Stockton

\*Please rise in body or spirit / Bold: Congregation Speaks

Welcome!

### to everyone who is worshiping with us today.

~ Thank You to Ken Yearick for filling the pulpit this morning ~

Kenneth Yearick is a retired pastor of the United Church of Christ, celebrating his 51th year of ordination this year. Graduate of Catawba College, Salisbury, NC and United Theological Seminary, Dayton, Ohio, with post graduate studies at Duke University and Lancaster Theological Seminary, Lancaster, PA. Kenneth has served churches in Ohio, North Carolina and Pennsylvania, son of missionaries to Japan, and has followed many past relatives in the ministry. He is married to Sandy; extended family of 5 children, 7 grandchildren, and two great grandchildren. He is currently Pastoral Care Minister at First Presbyterian Church, Morehead City, NC awaiting a new pastor, and a Qualified Ruling Elder (QRE) in our Presbytery.

- ~ Next Sunday, March 5th ~
- ~ Rev. Andy Konigsmark will be filling the pulpit ~



## Prayer List Additions as of 2-26-2023

Continued prayers for Ed Valentine after his surgery (Cheryl Coeyman); Bryan Miles has health concerns and needs our prayers (Paul Miller); Mom had a severe TIA and was a major scare and needs our prayers (Carol Jackson); Penny Bender; Ed & Thelma Edmondson; Prayers for Our Nation; Our Military; Our Church; PPC Childcare and Staff

Our complete prayer list is available in the PollyPress.

Dianne Bell's mother, Eva Barwick, has moved: Magnolia Cottage #1 – 5643 Hwy 70 – Dover, NC 28526

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For Congregational Use: Lectionary Readings:

Genesis 12:1-4a and Psalm 121; Romans 4:1-5, 13-17; John 3:1-17

Daily Readings for March 5 – 11 use the following web link:

https://www.presbyterianmission.org/ministries/worship/lectionary/

BRIDGE BRIVER

The Neuse River Bridge Run is happening on Saturday, April 29! There are lots of ways you can support the race - (and by doing that—supporting the Filling Station) See Sheron Bender about how you can help *or* look for more information in the PollyPress.



\$409 has been received for CWS Blankets Plus.

Let's surpass last year's gifts of \$ 461! Donations are still being accepted.

If you still wish to give, please place your gift in the offering plate. Designate for Blankets+

(Special Envelopes are available on the table in the Narthex).



# Your Help is Needed!

If you would be willing to serve as an usher, please contact

John Bender at 252-675-8431 or email: <a href="mailto:jmbender1991@gmail.com">jmbender1991@gmail.com</a>.

March – Jerry Burkot & Blair Purvis

April – John Bender & Dana Bender

May, June, July, August, September & December - Ushers Needed



# Announcements & Reminders

Sunday Mornings: 11:00 am - Worship in the Church Sanctuary &

Streaming Live on Facebook & on PPC Website

Sundays at 9:45 am Adult Sunday School – Remember your Bibles!

Children's Sunday School at 11 am through March 26th

Wednesdays

6 pm Choir Practice

Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup>

5 pm Session Meeting

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>

**Daylight Saving Time Begins** 

Monday, March 13<sup>th</sup>

7 pm Women's Circle Meeting

- In Sanctuary Annex - Hostess, Dianne Bell; Study Leader, Diane McCaffity

Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

5:30 pm Childcare Committee Meeting

Sunday, March 26th

8 am Men's Breakfast - Team 3 Cook

**Building Fund Sunday** 

Sunday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>

Children's Sunday School will start at 10 am each Sunday -

**Nursery Provided for 11 am service** 

**Palm Sunday** 

5pm Session

Thursday, April 6<sup>th</sup>

7 pm Maundy Thursday Service with Communion

Friday, April 7th

**Good Friday – Church Office and Childcare CLOSED** 

Sunday, April 9th

**EASTER**